

**ANNEX IX RULES FOR YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS**

**CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION**

**ARTICLE 1 GENERAL**

1. Young Rider and Junior participation is an important element in the development of the Equestrian Sport in the world.

The objective of the following Annex is to standardise types of Events and Competitions for Young Riders and Juniors throughout the world, taking into account specific problems applying exclusively to Young Riders and Juniors.

**ARTICLE 2 PRIORITY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. The Jumping Events for Young Riders or Juniors are held in general under the same Rules as those set forth for the Jumping Events for Seniors.
2. In all matters not covered by the present Annex, the Statutes, the GRs, the VRs, the JRs and all other relevant FEI Rules and Regulations shall apply.

**ARTICLE 3 DEFINITION OF A YOUNG RIDER AND A JUNIOR**

1. A person may compete as a Young Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 21.
2. A person may compete as a Junior from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 14 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 18.
3. No Young Rider or Junior, up to the age of 18 may be classified as professional.

**CHAPTER II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 4 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS (SEE GRs ARTICLE 102)**

1. The following types of Jumping Events for Young Riders and Juniors are established: International Events Category A and B (CSIY and CSIJ Cat. A respectively CSIY and CSIJ Cat. B), Official International Events (CSIOY or CSIOJ) and Championships.
2. No CSIY or CSIJ Category A Event may be organised in the two weeks preceding a Championship or CSIO for Young Riders and Juniors respectively, without the specific permission of the OC of this Championship or of this CSIO and without the agreement of the Secretary General of the FEI.
3. CSIY or CSIJ Category A Events
  - 3.1. A CSIY or CSIJ Category A Event is an International Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 3.2. No limit on prize money to be offered.
  - 3.3. Maximum height 1.50 m, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m for Young Riders.
  - 3.4. Maximum height 1.40 m with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.70 m for Juniors.

All other requirements as per the rules for CSI2\* Events for Seniors.

Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may never be described as "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to four Athletes per team.
4. CSIY or CSIJ Category B Events
  - 4.1. A CSIY or CSIJ Category B is an International Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 4.2. No prize money may be offered.
  - 4.3. Maximum height 1.50 m, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m for Young Riders.

Maximum height 1.40 m with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.70 m for Juniors.
  - 4.4.. All other requirements as per rules for CSI1\* Event for Seniors.

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- 4.5. Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may never be described as "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to four Athletes per team.
5. Official International Events (CSIOY and CSIOJ) (See Article 103 GRs)
  - 5.1. A CSIO is an International Event open to three or more NFs represented by teams.
    - 5.1.1. For invitations at CSIO Events the OC has the choice of using one of the following formulas:
      - As per Article 13.2.1 and Article 13.2.2 of this Annex; or
      - As per JRs Art. 249.1.
    - 5.2. It must include the official Competitions for teams and individuals as set forth in the JRs.
    - 5.3. A CSIO Event to which NFs are invited to participate in accordance with Article 5 (FEI Championships) must include the official Competitions as outlined under paragraph 5.2. above.
    - 5.4. A CSIO Event to which NFs are invited to participate in accordance with JRs Art. 249 must provide in the schedule an official team Competition and a final individual Competition. These Competitions must be run in accordance with the specific rules for the relevant Competitions as set forth in these JRs. Other Competitions must be organised during the days of the CSIO to provide a complete programme for the Event. The dimensions of obstacles must not exceed those set forth for Championships.
    - 5.5. For each Category not more than two CSIO may be run during one calendar year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.
    - 5.6. A CSIOY or CSIOJ may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year of the Event, provided it does not interfere with any International Event for Young Riders or Juniors already inserted in the calendar.
  6. International Events with borrowed Horses
    - 6.1. By agreement of the FEI Secretary General and the Chair of the FEI Jumping Committee, CSIOY and CSIOJ Events may be organised in Jumping using Horses provided by the OC.
    - 6.2. The rules for borrowed Horses as outlined in GRs Art. 111 and JRs Annex XII, Art. 4.4 must be applied.
  7. Combined Competitions

If combined Competitions (for both Juniors and Young Riders) are organized the provisions in relation to obstacle dimensions for Junior Competitions apply or the course is raised for Young Riders.

**ARTICLE 5 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. All Jumping Championships for Young Riders or Juniors have the status of a CSIO. At Championships Athletes may only take part for the country of their Sport Nationality as set forth in GRs Art. 119.
2. Each year, Continental and Regional Championships should be promoted and organised in Jumping.
3. Championships may be organised by Continents or Regions. In the case of Regions, the territorial scope must be previously approved by the FEI.
4. Each year, the FEI invites or authorises an NF to organise individual and team Championships in their respective Continents or Regions.
5. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the GRs, the JRs, the present Annex, and as specified herein. Only one team per NF may be entered.
6. NFs wishing to organise a Championship must apply as set forth in the GRs.
7. In principle, Championships may only be held if at least four NFs are represented, except outside Europe where they may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two NFs (including the host NF). A NF, which withdraws after the closing date for the entries and before the start of the Championship is, however, considered as represented.
8. The non-Open Championships must be restricted to all NFs included in the Continent concerned. However, entries from NFs outside the Continent in which the non-Open Championship is held may be accepted with the agreement of the Jumping Committee, but are not entitled to receive titles or medals. In non-Open European Championships, acceptance of NF entries by the Jumping Committee from outside Europe will depend on whether sufficient space is available at the Championship in question.
9. An NF taking part in a Championship outside of its Continent or Region will not have the right to organise the same Championship the following year in its Continent or Region.
10. Championships must be held at some time during a long school holiday (from mid-July to end of August).
11. Championships must be held outdoors unless weather conditions require the Event to be held indoors.
12. No entry fee or starting fee may be charged unless cash prizes are awarded.

**ARTICLE 6                    ELIGIBILITY            AT            INTERNATIONAL  
EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. At Regional and Olympic Games, Athletes may take part in Jumping from the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, in Latin America (Central and South America), Athletes may take part in Regional Games and Regional Championships in Latin America from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, providing the height of obstacles in these Championships does not exceed 1.40 m.
2. Young Riders and Juniors may take part with Horses whose owner is of a different nationality from themselves in all Events except in Olympic Games.
3. The limitations and conditions imposed by the GRs regarding Athletes visiting foreign NFs shall apply.
4. The participation of a Young Rider or a Junior in a Championship in one Discipline for Young Riders, respectively Juniors, does not exclude the same Athlete on another Horse from participating in a Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if he has reached the appropriate age.
5. Once an Athlete has taken part in a Championship for Young Riders in Jumping, he can no longer go back to a Championship for Juniors in Jumping.
6. Once an Athlete has taken part in a Championship for Seniors or in Regional and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, he can no longer go back to a Championship for Young Riders or Juniors in Jumping. However, in Latin America (Central and South America), Athletes of the appropriate age may participate in a Championship for Juniors even if they have previously participated in Regional Games and Regional Championships in Latin America, providing the height of obstacles at the Regional Games/Championships in Latin America does not exceed 1.40 m.
7. Certificates of Capability for FEI European Jumping Championships for Young Rider and Juniors .

Only those Athletes and Horses competing internationally and likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs).

This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the requirements as set forth in the JRs.

The procedure for qualification, set forth hereunder, must be strictly followed. Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations.

Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Athletes and Horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first Championship Competition, no further changes are permitted.

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For the European Young Rider and Junior Championships Athletes and Horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs:

- 7.1. Athletes and Horses that participated in the previous year's FEI European Championship for Young Riders and Juniors in their respective age category.
- 7.2. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a selected CSI1\*/CSI2\* outdoor Event or a CSIO1\*/CSIO2\* outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.  

Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI1\* Events from the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday. Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI2\* Events from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday providing the height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed 1.45 m. (See JRs Art. 208.7 and Art. 255). Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSIO1\* and CSIO2\* Events from the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- 7.3. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a selected CSI3\*/4\*/5\* outdoor Event or the first round of a Nations Cup or Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO3\*/4\*/5\* Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.  

Athletes must at least reach the age of 18 years in the year of these Events to be authorised to participate in the Grand Prix at CSI3\*/4\*/5\* Events and in the Nations Cup and Grand Prix of CSIO3\*/4\*/5\* Events.
- 7.4. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition in their own Category at a CSII\*/J outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.5. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition in their own Category at a selected CSIOY\*/J outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix Competition of their own Category with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.6. In exceptional circumstances, if an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to qualify as above, it may request the FEI to send a foreign assessing delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special Competition, run in accordance with FEI protocol, consisting of one round with the dimensions as set forth on a course plan provided by the FEI. Athletes/ Horses scoring eight Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The foreign assessing delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If due to unforeseen circumstances an Athlete/ Horse combination has more than eight Penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the foreign assessing delegate may let this combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete qualify if he has scored more than eight Penalties over this course.

- 7.7 Selection will be made from Events which take place from the 1 January the year preceding the Event until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date to be fixed by the FEI. A list of Events will be published on the FEI website in the year preceding the Championship and in the year of the Championship.

## **ARTICLE 7 SENIOR EVENTS AND OTHER CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. From the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, Young Riders and Juniors may take part in certain international Competitions for Seniors with the express permission of their NF (refer to JRs Art. 255).
2. A Junior or Pony Rider or Child may never ride in a Competition for their category and also in a Competition for Seniors, a Competition for Amateurs or a Competition for Young Horses at the same Event (refer to JRs Art. 255).
3. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year.

## **ARTICLE 8 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES**

1. Events
  - 1.1. OCs of Events open to Young Riders or Juniors are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels or youth hostels, or with private families, with the NFs of the invited Athletes.
  2. Championships and CSIOs
    - 2.1. NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, Athletes, grooms and Horses to and from the location of these Championships. and CSIO Events.
    - 2.2. For the OCs, the same applies as under paragraph 1.1 above but the following minima must be respected:
      - (i) Stabling and fodder for the Horses.

In principle stabling and fodder are free of charge, but it is left to the decision of the OC if they wish to charge a reasonable fee. If charged, it must be stated in the schedule.
      - (ii) possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables.
      - (iii) one main meal must be provided free of charge by the OC, preferably in the evening, for Athletes and Chefs d'Equipe (either on the show grounds or elsewhere);

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- (iv) if accommodation is not offered free of charge, then suitable accommodation should be arranged or recommended and prices for same quoted in the schedule.
  - (v) GRs Art. 132.1 (owners of Horses) to apply.
  - (vi) Agent and Veterinary fees for entering and leaving the frontier of the organising country and/or the show grounds to be arranged and paid by the OC.
- 2.3. The GRs apply in the case of Officials.
3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the CSIO and Championship until one day after.
4. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their teams and/or individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the Athletes are not lodged in private homes the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their teams and/or individuals.
5. The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. According to the FEI legal system, the Ground Jury and/or the Appeal Committee may impose a fine and has the right to disqualify the team and/or individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage throughout the Event.

## ARTICLE 9 PRIZES

1. Prize money and/or prizes in kind must be awarded in Young Rider and Junior Events.
2. In all Events except Championships, one rosette and a prize in kind or a souvenir, if prize money is not given, must be awarded for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes. It is recommended that stable plaques are awarded to the first four individuals.
3. In Championships, the following minimum number of awards must be presented:
- 3.1. In the Farewell Competition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes.
- 3.2. In the team Championship, FEI medals are awarded to the team members (see GRs 104.2.2.4.). The FEI trophy will be presented at the General Assembly to the winning NF. In addition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each of the Athletes in the teams taking the first four places.
- 3.3. In the individual Championship, FEI medals are awarded (see GRs 104.2.2.4). In addition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes are awarded.

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- 3.4. At Championships, the prize-giving ceremony should be given great importance and should be held in the arena with the Athletes mounted.
- 3.5. The OC should present all Chefs d'Equipe and Athletes with a souvenir or a plaque.
- 3.6. OCs should award as many extra prizes as possible, for example:
  - 3.6.1. Athletes with the best style (possible division as 3.6.2. and 3.6.3. below);
  - 3.6.2. best girl Athletes;
  - 3.6.3. best boy Athletes;
  - 3.6.4. sportsmanship.

### **ARTICLE 10            SCHOOLING OF HORSES**

1. Under penalty of disqualification, it is not permitted for an Athlete's Horse to be schooled by anyone else other than the Athlete himself mounted in the saddle, in or outside the town where an Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event or Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship. However, lungeing, work in hand, etc. by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the stewards, are permitted.

### **ARTICLE 11            TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

1. In addition to the responsibilities imposed by the GRs, a Technical Delegate at Championships and at International Events (if a Technical Delegate is appointed), will have the responsibility and the authority to check that all facilities are adequate, that the behaviour of participants is correct and that social and educational functions are conducted with the utmost care, always bearing in mind the welfare of the participants and the development of the best spirit of sportsmanship and fair play.

### **ARTICLE 12            SCHEDULE**

1. The OC must prepare a schedule, which must include the following information:
  - 1.1. Type of Event.
  - 1.2. Description of individual Competitions.
  - 1.3. Prizes, trophies to be awarded.
  - 1.4. Height, spread of jumps.
  - 1.5. Types of jumps included.

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- 1.6. List of Judges, Technical Delegates, Course Designers, etc.
- 1.7. Programme of Competitions.
- 1.8. Programme of social events.
- 1.9. Lodging of Chefs d'Equipe and Athletes which may be in hotel or with private families.
- 1.10. Arrangements for parents, including a list of hotels where parents can reserve directly and not through the OC.
- 1.11. Accommodation for grooms.
- 1.12. Stabling of Horses.
- 1.13. Local transportation arrangements.
- 1.14. Arrival and departure dates, outside, which no expenses will be paid.
- 1.15. Other useful information including passport and visa requirements, climate, type of clothes needed, etc.
2. For Championships, CSIO and CSI Category A Events for Young Riders and Juniors, the draft schedule must be sent to the FEI for approval at least 16 weeks before the Event takes place.
3. For CSI Category B Events for Young Riders and Juniors, the draft schedule must be approved by NF. Copies of the approved schedule must be sent to the FEI at least four weeks before the Event.
4. Several copies of this schedule should be sent to all NFs at least eight weeks before the start of the Event or Championship.
5. For further information on schedules OC should refer to the FEI draft schedule.

**CHAPTER III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 13 ENTRIES**

1. After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the appropriate NFs of the Continent or Region by the host NF.
2. Teams
  - 2.1. Each NF may enter one team of not more than five Athletes and five Horses. However, outside of Europe, the NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation (see Article 5.7. of this Annex). The OC must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the Athletes. No reserve Horse may be brought to this Championship.
  - 2.2. These five Athletes and five Horses are allowed to take part in the team Competition (see Art. 14.1 of this Annex) and individual Competitions of the Championship.
3. Individuals instead of teams

An NF, which cannot send a team, may enter one or two individual Athletes with one Horse each.

  - 3.1. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two Horses with a maximum of two grooms per team.
  - 3.2. Entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the GRs.
  - 3.3. The FEI Bureau decides whether or not the Championship is organised as an Open Championship or as a non-Open Championship. If the Championship is declared to be an Open Championship, teams and individuals from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, compete for Championship medals and titles under the same conditions as teams and individuals from the host Continent or Region. See Art. 5.8 of this Annex.

**ARTICLE 14 DECLARATION OF STARTERS**

1. The Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing, before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the team Competition.
2. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may only be eligible to start as a member of the team in case of an accident or illness either to one of the four team Athletes or to one of the four Horses, provided the Chef d'Equipe obtains the approval of the Ground Jury.

3. If the Championship is held during a CSI the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Horses in the Competitions of the CSI (Article 7 above). The Horses to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and cannot be substituted.

## **ARTICLE 15      AGE REQUIREMENTS**

1. Horses
  - 1.1. Horses must be seven years of age or older.
  - 1.2. A Championship for Juniors is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the current year.
  - 1.3. They may not have competed previously in any Competition for Seniors during the Event at which the Championship is being held.
2. Athletes
  - 2.1. A Championship for Young Riders is open to Athletes from the beginning of the year in which they reach the age of 16 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of 21.
  - 2.2. A Junior, from the beginning of the year in which he reaches the age of 16 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 18 may take part in the Championship for Young Riders, but he may not take part in both the Championship for Young Riders and in the Championship for Juniors during the same year and in the same Discipline (see Art. 7.3 of this Annex).
  - 2.3. A Junior, from the year in which he reaches the age of 18, may take part in the Continental and World Jumping Championships for Seniors, but he is not allowed to take part in Championships for Juniors, Young Riders and/or Seniors in the same year. However, a Junior, from the year in which he reaches his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, may take part in the same year in both the Jumping Championship for Juniors and in certain international Competitions for Seniors on the occasion of a CSIO and a CSI (see JRs Art. 255).
  - 2.4. A Junior who, from the year in which he reaches the age of 18, has taken part in a Continental or World Jumping Championship for Seniors will no longer be eligible to compete as a Junior (see Art. 6.6 of this Annex).
  - 2.5. A Young Rider, from the beginning of the year in which he reaches the age of 18 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 21 may take part in the Championship for Seniors, but he may not take part in both the Championship for Seniors and in the Championship for Young Riders during the same year in the same Discipline (see Art. 7.3 of this Annex)

**ARTICLE 16      COMPETITIONS**

1. One of the two following formulas must be used:

	<b>Formula A</b>	<b>Formula B</b>
<b>First day</b>	Training session	Training session First qualifying Competition
<b>Second day</b>	First qualifying Competition	Team Championship
<b>Third day</b>	Team Championship Farewell Competition	Rest day (or the second day may be used as rest day instead)
<b>Fourth day</b>	Farewell Competition if not held the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day Individual Final Competition	Farewell Competition Individual Final Competition

- 1.1. For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, OCs may use the following Formula C instead of Formula A or B above:

	<b>Formula C</b>
<b>First Day</b>	Training Session
<b>Second Day</b>	First Competition (Teams and Individuals)
<b>Third Day</b>	Second Competition (Team Final, 2 <sup>nd</sup> individual)
<b>Fourth Day</b>	Compulsory Rest Day
<b>Fifth Day</b>	Third Competition (individual Final)

2. Training Session

The OC provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination.

Each Athlete is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per Horse. Dress is informal: boots, breeches, shirt and a hard hat must be worn.

The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

3. First Qualifying Competition for the individual Championship open to all Athletes.
- 3.1. Starting Order in the first Qualifying Competition.

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There will be a draw for the starting order of the Athletes, regardless of their nationality.

### 3.2. Young Riders

This Competition is run over a Table A course judged under Table C (see JRs Art. 239 and 263) without a jump-off in the event of equality for the first place.

The Scores obtained by each Athlete will be converted into points by multiplying the time of each Athlete by the coefficient 0.50; the Score must be correct to two decimal places. The second decimal place will be rounded up to .005 and rounded down from .004.

The Athlete with the lowest number of points after this conversion will be given zero Penalties, the other Athletes being credited with the number of Penalties representing the difference in points between each of them and the leading Athlete.

If an Athlete is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of Penalties as that incurred by the Athlete who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 Penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of Penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 Penalties will be added to his Score. Adding the 20 Penalties is done after the time-difference has been converted into Penalties.

### 3.3. Juniors

Table A against the clock without a jump-off in the event of equality for the first place (see JRs Art. 238.2.1).

If an Athlete has been eliminated or has retired, he shall be penalised with 20 Penalties more than the Athlete with the highest number of Penalties.

## 4. Team Championship - (also second qualifying Competition for the individual Championship)

### 4.1. This Competition is run over two rounds according to Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for first, second and/or third place.

This Competition to be open only to Athletes and Horses which have taken part in the first qualifying Competition (paragraph 3 above), the team classification only affecting the members of the teams who have declared to start.

### 4.2. Starting Order in the Team Competition.

Starting order in the team Competition will be according to a draw in the first round. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first round.

In the second round individual Athletes will start before the teams.

In the case of individuals or teams with equal Penalties, the same starting order will be retained as in the first round.

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The starting order in the possible jump-off will revert to the starting order in the second round.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first places.

The second round is open only to the ten best teams in the first Competition and those teams placed *ex aequo* for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those placed *ex aequo* for 10<sup>th</sup> place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second round qualifier for the third Competition. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second round qualifier and the second round of the team Competition.

- 4.2.1 For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

The second round of the team Competition is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams placed *ex aequo* for the sixth place following the first round of the team Competition.

5. Farewell Competition

OCs must provide one individual Farewell Competition for those who are not qualified to participate in the individual Final of the Championship.

This Competition is judged under Table A against the clock with one jump-off against the clock. (see JRs Art. 238.2.2).

The Farewell Competition for Young Riders and Juniors may be combined if there is not a sufficient number of Young Riders and Juniors at the Championship.

6. Individual Final Competition

- 6.1. Running

This Competition consists of two different rounds A and B judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for the first, second and/or third place (see JRs Art. 273.3.2).

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those placed equal for last place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second qualifying Competitions. The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15 and not more than 30.

They must have taken part in the first qualifying Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If, for any reason, one or more of the qualified Athletes are unable to start, they will not be replaced by followers.

All Athletes who complete Round A go forward to Round B. The Penalties in the two rounds are added.

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The Athletes will be invited to inspect the course of Round B.

- 6.1.1 For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

Qualified to participate in the first round of the individual Final are the 25 best placed Athletes (including those placed *ex aequo* for 25<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category according to the cumulative Penalties of the first and second qualifying Competitions.

Qualified to participate in the second round of the individual Final are the 15 best placed Athletes (including those placed *ex aequo* for 15<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category.

- 6.2. Starting Order

The starting order for Round A will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions of the Championship. In the event of equality of Penalties for any placing, the result of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order. The lowest placed qualified Athlete will therefore start first.

The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of the Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions as well as Round A. The Athlete with the greatest number of Penalties will start first, the Athlete with the least Penalties will start last. In the event of Athletes with equal Penalties, the result of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order.

### ARTICLE 17 OBSTACLES AND COURSES

1. First qualifying Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles</b>	12-14	12-14
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.45 m	1.35 m
<b>Spread</b>	1.50 to 1.70 m	1.40 to 1.60 m
<b>Maximum spread of water jump (<i>not compulsory</i>)</b>	4.00 m	3.70 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m
<b>Speed</b>	N/A	375 m/min.
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### 2. Team Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles</b>	12-14	12-14
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.50 m	1.40 m
<b>Maximum spread</b>	1.80 m	1.70 m
<b>At least 8 obstacles (including two verticals) with a minimum height of</b>	1.40 m	1.30 m
<b>Spread of the water jump (compulsory)</b>	4.20 m	3.50 to 4.00 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m
<b>Speed</b>	400 m/min.	375 m/min.

The course must comprise 1 double and 1 treble combination or 3 doubles.

### 3. Individual Final Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles</b>		
<b>Round A</b>	10-12	10-12
<b>Round B</b>	8-10	8-10
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.50 m	1.40 m
<b>Maximum spread</b>	1.80 m	1.70 m
<b>Maximum spread of the triple bar</b>	2.00 m	2.00 m
<b>Spread of the water jump (compulsory)</b>	4.20 m	3.50 to 4.00 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course</b>		
<b>Round A</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m
<b>Round B</b>	450/550 m	450/550 m
<b>Speed</b>	400 m/min.	375 m/min.

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The course of Round A must comprise one double and one treble combination or three doubles. The course of Round B must comprise one double or one treble combination.

Round B must be different from Round A.

4. Jump-off

In the case of a jump-off, either for team classification or for the individual classification, a reduced course over six obstacles, which may be raised (to a maximum of 1.50 m) for Juniors and/or widened.

5. Farewell Competition

The obstacles for the Farewell Competition must have a height of approximately 1.40 m for Young Riders and 1.30 m for Juniors with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.60 m.

### **ARTICLE 18 TEAM CLASSIFICATION**

1. The team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in each of the two rounds of the team Championship. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first round count.
2. Team Athletes not completing the first or second round receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round.
3. In the case of equality of Penalties between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory in which all team Athletes participate (see Article 17.4 of this Annex).
4. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and the first place.
5. The classification in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties and the times incurred by the best three Athletes in each team. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the teams will be placed equal.
6. The other teams will be placed according to their added Penalties in the two rounds. Those with equal Penalties are placed equal.
7. In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for the team Competition. Athletes with equality of Penalties are placed equal.
8. Teams taking part in a non-Open Championship from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the team Competition, but will not receive a team classification. They may receive prizes for the individual classification in the team Competition (see Article 18.7 of this Annex).

**ARTICLE 19 INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION**

1. The individual placing is determined for each Athlete by the addition of Penalties incurred in the first qualifying Competition, the two rounds of the second qualifying Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in a possible jump-off) and the two rounds of the third Competition.
2. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory (see Article 17.4 of this Annex).
3. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and the first place.
4. Athletes taking part in non-Open Championships from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held may participate in the Final individual competition if qualified, but are not allowed to take part in the jump-off for individual medal placing. Their penalties from Rounds A and B are added to give them their classification in the competition.
5. Two classifications for the individual Final competition must be provided; one for the individual Medal winners; and another for all Athletes taking part in this competition. For the latter classification only the results from Rounds A and B count. Athletes with equality of penalties are placed equal.

**ARTICLE 20 SADDLERY AND DRESS**

1. The rules regarding saddlery and dress must be strictly applied in accordance with the Rules for Jumping Events (see JRs Art. 256 and 257).

**ARTICLE 21 GROUND JURY**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs must appoint the President of the Ground Jury. The NF/OC appoints the Members of the Ground Jury in accordance with the GRs.

**ARTICLE 22 FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs must appoint the Foreign Technical Delegate.

**ARTICLE 23 VETERINARY COMMISSION**

1. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and Members must comply with the requirements of the VRs.

**ARTICLE 24 APPEAL COMMITTEE**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs, must appoint the President of the Appeal Committee. An Appeal Committee is not obligatory for CSI Events.

**ARTICLE 25 PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS**

1. The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements set forth in Article 9 of this Annex.

**ARTICLE 26 MISCELLANEOUS**

1. In all circumstances not covered by the present Annex, the Ground Jury, being guided by the GRs and the JRs, will take such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.